## CLAIM FOR DAMAGES TO PRIVATELY OWNED PROPERTY

## COMMUNICATION

FROM

## THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

AN ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION SUBMITTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PUBLIC PARKS OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL, TO PAY A CLAIM FOR DAMAGES TO PRIVATELY OWNED PROPERTY, AMOUNTING TO \$156.34

February 17 (calendar day, February 26), 1931.—Read, referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, February 26, 1931.

The President of the Senate.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress an estimate of appropriation submitted by the Director of Public Buildings and Public Parks of the National Capital, to pay a claim for damages to privately owned property, in the sum of \$156.34, which has been considered and adjusted under the provisions of the act of December 28, 1922 (U. S. C., title 31, sec. 215), and which requires an appropriation for its payment.

Respectfully.

HERBERT HOOVER.

Bureau of the Budget, Washington, February 26, 1931.

The PRESIDENT.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit for your consideration an estimate of appropriation submitted by the Director of Public Buildings and Public Parks of the National Capital, to pay a claim for damages to privately owned property, which has been considered and

adjusted under the provisions of the act of December 28, 1922 (U. S. C., title 31, sec. 215), and which requires an appropriation for its payment, as follows:

Damage claim: Under Public Buildings and Public Parks of the National Capital \$156. 34

The letter of the Director of Public Buildings and Public Parks of the National Capital submitting this estimate is transmitted herewith.

In accordance with the provisions of the act providing for such submission, I recommend that this estimate be transmitted to Congress.

Very respectfully,

J. Clawson Roop,
Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

Public Buildings and Public Parks, Washington, D. C., February 24, 1931.

Col. J. Clawson Roop,

Director Bureau of the Budget.

Dear Colonel Roop: Pursuant to the act of Congress approved December 28, 1922 (U. S. C., title 31, sec. 215), authorizing the heads of departments and establishments acting on behalf of the Government of the United States to consider, ascertain, adjust, and determine claims on account of damages to or loss of privately owned property, where the whole amount does not exceed \$1,000, by negligence of an officer or employee of the Government, acting within the scope of his employment, this office reports a claim of Warren F. Brenizer Co., 1501 South Capitol Street, Washington, D. C., for \$156.34 damage done to a tractor belonging to that firm.

As the result of an investigation conducted by this office in connection with the above claim, evidence adduced indicates that on December 19, 1930, the claimant's tractor, which was engaged in excavation work at the intersection of the Mount Vernon Boulevard and Rosslyn Road, Arlington County, Va., was struck by a Government-owned truck operated by an employee of this office while in the performance of his official duties. The damage to the tractor was the result of a collision due to negligence of the Government employee operating the truck.

The claim was presented well within one year from the date of accrual and in view of the facts the above claim is certified for submission to Congress for an appropriation as a legal claim against the United States which has been considered, ascertained, adjusted, and determined by me under, and by virtue of, the act of December 28, 1922, mentioned above.

Yours truly,

U. S. GRANT 3D, Director.